

REMARKS

The Office Action dated May 2, 2005, has been received and carefully noted. The amendments made herein and the following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Claims 1 and 6 have been amended, and claims 5, 9-11 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicants submit that the amendments made herein are fully supported in the specification and the drawings as originally filed, and therefore no new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 1-4, 6-8, and 12-14 are pending in the present application and are respectfully submitted for consideration.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 5-8 of the present application.

Independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter in claim 5, and claim 5 has been canceled. Therefore claim 1 is allowable.

Each of claims 2-4, 6-8 and 12-14 depends from claim 1, and therefore each of these dependent claims is also allowable.

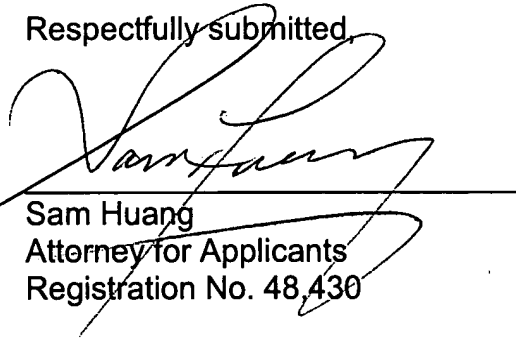
Conclusion

In view of the above, Applicants submit that claims 1-4, 6-8 and 12-14 are allowable and respectfully request that this application be passed to issue.

If for any reason, the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper has not been timely filed, the Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 107337-00052.**

Respectfully submitted,



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